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## CANNOT RAISE MONEY

PROBLEM FORMER INDIAN TER RITORY MUST MEET.

Constitution Failed to Provide Method for Obtaining Coin to Keep Gov. ernment Moving Until Legislature Can Act.

Tulsa, I. T .- Indian Territory celebrated statehood with all sorts of noise, but the serious minded part of the community is wondering how the

many problems will be met. On the Oklahoma side everything is smooth and easy, because they have had county government over there for ten years, and it simply meant a transfer of the accounts from the territory to the state. But on the Indian Territory side, where there has been not a single organized county, it means begluning at the beginning and starting things off. Forty-five counties went house or a jail, not one of them has as much as a sheet of official paper on which to record the minutes of the first meeting of the county commissioner's court.

- The jurisdiction of the United States ended the minute the proclamation of the president went into effect, and from that time forward the new state has had to shift for itself. It must take care of the prisoners and be responsible for all debts and so on. It must provide an organized government for the people according to the systems which obtain elsewhere.

Money is the great and pressing Irish Maid Has Way of Estimating question to start with. None of the Indian Territory counties has any and there is no way provided in the constitution by which money for pressing necessities can be obtained. The constitution covers everything else the regulation of the procession of the framed the document overlooked the fact that until the legislature could governments going the county governments will be in trouble.

is that the commissioners of the In- family," replied the girl. "I always dian Territory counties can issue judge a family by their cat. serip till the legislature gives them some authority for an orderly system of finance.

tractors and the people who are to means; but a nervous, unfriendly look furnish supplies, the printer men and ing cat reflects a household which is the rest will not take scrip except at on the verge of nervous prostration a great discount. It is the theory of or financial ruin or some other horriscrip for years and years, and while they are taking the chance they might to fail. as well play safe.

Musical Prodigy Appears.

London.-Prodigies are a drug in the musical market, but one introduced to London recently by Hans Richter seems likely to have extraordinary success as a planist. The boy who is 14 years of age, is named Ern- an infirmary at Cleveland, O. Twenty est Lengyel. He was born in Vienna. of Hungarian parents, and at the age with whom he came to Colorado shortof five and one-half years a government scholarship was awarded him. for Cleveland to join her husband. Archduchess Augusta has also aided The restoration of Mr. Hoskins' vision in his musical education.

Special Cars for Drunkards.

Berlin.-Prof. Forel and his various associates in the temperance propaganda have petitioned the government to set apart cars Saturday and Sunday nights for the exclusive use of intoxiated persons, or, if that be deemed pedient, to reserve cars for ab-

### TRAINED RATS AS CLOCKS.

They Gently Awaken Their Owner at Any Hour to Be Fed.

New York.-Abe Conklin has close: his snake hatchery in the Warwick mountains and has gone into his winter quarters on Honeysuckle avenue, Montelair, N. J. Conklin has resumed his winter occupation of training white rats to be useful and helpful to man. Last year he trained some rats to carry a stout string to the top of a flagpole and pass it through the pulley at the top. He sold these rats at high prices to janitors of New York office buildings. When the flag halyards fall the janitors do not have to employ steeplejacks. Conklin trained other rats to run a sewing machine by treading the pedal.

This year Conklin is training rats to take the place of alarm clocks. He knows that the rattle and jar of an alarm clock make many persons very feeds his alarm rats only once a day: some at five a. m., some at 5:30 and into business on November 16, and trained that at the instant of its meal not a one of them has a cent in the hour it goes to the room of the human that feeds it and gently tickles his ear until he awakes and feeds it.

Conklin expects to sell many of these alarm rats to Montelair commuters, and he predicts that the nervous affections caused by alarm clocks will soon disappear from that happy place. He says his rats never rust, run down nor vary a second in giving their gentle alarm. Conklin will dye a rat pink, green or blue if his customer thinks one such will wake him up

JUDGES THEM BY THEIR CATS.

Her Employer's Character.

New York .- "No, ma'am," said an Irish maid of much experience as she returned to a New York intelligence office the other day, "I didn't engage from the initiative and referendum to with that family. I didn't like the looks of their cat," "Of their cat!" seasons, but the statesmen who rejeated the owner of the office in amazement.

"Why, Katie, I'm sure they wouldn't provide some way to keep the county keep a cat that was in any way dangerous." "Not dangerous, no ma'am, but a restless, unhappy looking crea-The most generally accepted theory ture that didn't speak well for the

"A sleek, comfortable pussy who comes up and rubs against you means a quiet, good-natured family, and one But scrip has terrors. The con- that's not worrying about ways and the contractors that many of the coun- ble trouble. I've been living with famties will not be able to redeem the illes and studying their cats for 25 years, and I've never known the sign

"A family that can't make its cat happy is one to make any servant mis-

Born Blind, Can Now Sec.

Colorada Springs. Col.-Gale C. Hoskins, 50 years old, who was born blind, has been restored to sight in years ago he married Miss Lottie Hall, ly afterward. She left the other day was unexpected.

Girl Likes Prison Life.

London.-"I want to go to prison, ! like it, and would sooner be in than out; and if you don't send me there I shall steal something else, so as to get locked up." This extraordinary statement was made to the Windsor magistrates by a young woman who was charged with stealing a pair of

# Historic Canonchet, "House of Tragedy," Will No Longer Be Home of Spragues

proved estate at Narragansett Pler, R. I., consisting of 250 acres of land, with a beautifully furnished mansion, upon which and the stables green-houses and other buildings about \$1,000,000 have been expended. This property is historically known as "Can-onehet." the palattal home which Kate Chase Sprague (Baughter of Salmen P. Chase) built about 25 years ago at the

So runs the circular-the house of tragedy goes under the hammer! Who wants to buy it?

You may have it, with the story of the loves and hates of men and women of a half century ago. With it go memories of other days; of duels and divorce; of elopements, suicides, scandals and law suits without number.

Here Roscoe Conkling was once an honored guest; and here law, diplomacy and political strategy were made and unmade. Blaine, Garfield, Beecher, Tilden, Ben Butler, Greeley, Dana Grant were all honored guests here. Its rooms and halls are redolent with memory to-day as they were three decades ago.

Who wants to buy? Name your price.

Canonchet, once the handsomest es tate on the Atlantic coast, is for sale to the highest bidder. It is on the market because a girl chose to defy her parents-lnez Sprague has eloped with the son of her grandfather's bitterest enemy.

As last of the direct line of the Spragues, she was to have inherited this baronial estate, worth at least \$1,-000,000 to-day. But she broke her engagement with J. Harold Winpenny, of Philadelphia, stayed in seclusion liams Stiness, son of Judge Stiness, of Rhode Island.

Can Never Forgive Her.

"He did his utmost to accomplish my flanancial ruin," declared William Sprague, who was war governor of ciety of her own country. She was Rhode Island when the north and beautiful, she was a diplomat of mar south decided to discuss their differ- velous methods, the homage of the ences at the cannon's mouth. "I can never forgive her."

The governor and Mrs. Sprague, his second wife, retired to Canonchet to make their plans. In order to gain time they said not a word when it was interplotting of those years to make nervous for the rest of the day. He cloping bride and that she and the United States. The fact that this great and that eventually she would inherit lifted was probably the precursor of to impulse all his life. A court inso on until seven a m. Each is so the house of tragedy, the home of a that adverse fate which has relent- quiry resulted in his discharge. thousand memories of bygone days.

sent. For when all their plans had that time. been formulated, Gov. and Mrs. a young girl saw fit to make a shopping trip to Providence and then suddenly make up her mind to get married.

times of war.

mander-in-chief of the Rhode Island home. the ordinary.

The civil war was on. Sprague was a mere youth, and one of the heads of business enterprises involving the employment of 22,000 workmen. His shops, mills and foundries beclouded the sky with their in dustry, until it was said, "Whenever you see smoke in Rhody, it belongs to the Spragues."

He was governor-the youngest was governor. As chief in command of the state's military forces he insisted on taking the field in person. He was always dashingly brave; so said his soldiers. The masses halled him as their hero; others looked on in won

He went to the United States senate in 1863 and served 12 years.

While United States senator he mar ried Katherine Chase, famed as Kate year and then eloped with Harry Wil- Chase, the beautiful daughter of Salmon P. Chase, Lincoln's secretary of associate justice of the supreme court | the treasury. With this brilliant marriage began the social career which sent the name of Chase-Sprague to the greater salons of Europe and America

Kate Chase in that day was account ed the most brilliant woman in the so greatest statesmen of that time was hers, she was the queenly leader of Washington's social and official life.

And what was her quest? The older generation will recall the plot and the asserted that they had forgiven the Salmon P. Chase president of the bridegroom would be welcomed there, ambition of a daughter was never gratlessly pursued and gnawed the heart But their silence did not mean con- of every Sprague ambition felt since Separated by Divorce.

Early in her married life Kate Chase sensational suit for divorce. Gov. Sprague instructed their lawyer, Sprague built Canonchet, on an estate Sprague filed counter charges. So-Henry Wellington Wack, of New York, of 350 acres at Narragansett pler, ciety giutted itself with gossip of the to arrange for the sale of the historic The house was at that time case. A compromise was finally effectestate, just as it now stands. A great the grandest mansion on the ed by which both these charges were inheritance has been forfeited because coast. It stands on the favorite withdrawn and a charge of crucity incamping ground of Canonchet, chief of torposed. On May 27, 1882, Kate the Narragansett tribe of Indians. It Chase-Sprague got the decree divorccost a million dollars. Its furnishings ing her and giving her the right to rewere brought from the stores of many same her maiden name and the cus-Fall back 44 years and march along countries. It is a palace within, tody of the three daughters, Ethel, with the events of the time, a time strangely, voluptuously featured, a Portia and Kitty. when Lincoln had that able and am- labyrinth of halls, nooks, salons,



bitious man, Salmon P. Chase, in his | chambers, towers, eerie dens, a the cabinet as secretary of the treasury; ater, library-68 rooms in all. a time when Kate Chase dominated Washington society and influenced her in the dining-room, and other appointfather's eminent associates by the ments of a similar extravagance. It force of her beauty and the spirited stands to-day, dark but proud; heir of

brilliance of her wit. later its United States senator-brave,

It had \$40,000 worth of hand carving its hospitality to the distinguished Then and there William Sprague, a men and women of two continents dashing young fellow from Rhode Horace Greeley used to visit there and Island-its civil war governor and toast his shins before the library grate; Conkling's name is indelibi handsome, clever, entered upon a ca- stamped upon the place and time, and reer which makes fiction seem tame the man whose memory goes back to the early seventics will recall the high links and the Sprugue-Chase-Conkling

flight from the governor's gun by way of a window and a barred and bolted

Sprague's Business Downfall. It was in 1873 that the political and social forces at work to ruin Senator Sprague succeeded in accomplishing their design. It soon became evident that the fate of the A. and W. Sprague concerns, estimated to be worth \$60,-OR SALE. - A HIGHLY IM- direct poverty. Her only son lies in a less than \$11,000,000 of indebtedness, the state of Rhode Island was almost suicide's grave. Her daughters tried prostrated. Z. Chaffee was appointed quence. But the life of "Gov." Sprague, wrestled with it for more than 20 found beside the barrel on which he as they call him still in Rhode Island, years, and enterprises which once in- had written his farewell. is as eventful to-day as it was in the volved all of Rhode Island were laid waste.

William Sprague's membership in Domestic discord and estrangement the A. & W. Sprague Manufacturing now intervened to madden the princompany, doing business in all parts cipals in this drama. The three daughof New England in the sixties, afford ters of Gov. Sprague and Kate Chase ed him in wealth the power which were being educated abroad. "Willie" made him at the age of 28 the gov- Sprague, as he was called, the only ernor of Rhode Island. This was in son, a strange composite of genius again been startled by an elopement. 1860. His advent as such and as com- and impulsive youth, was still at

TATE CHASE SPRAGUE

On March 8, 1883, the governor mar-

ried his present wife. She was Dora

Inez Weed, of Virginia. She was then

25 and Gov. Sprague 53. They imme-

diately went to Canonchet, where Mrs.

Sprague has since reigned as its chat-

For a while this romance seemed to

work revival of the governor's olden

ower. The Independent state con-

vention nominated him for governor

on March 14, 1883, a few days after he

and come north with his bride. On

March 21, the Democrats also nomi-

inted him, and it looked as if the little

war governor would retrieve his for-

Soon after the governor married his

resent wife, his son, Willie, married

ter sister, Avice Weed, of Wilming-

ton, Del. The governor then became

bis son's brother-in-law, and Willie's

wife was at the same time his sister-

n-law and his daughter-in-law, and the

covernor's wife was Willie's sister-in-

aw and ste mother. Meantime, Kate

Chaze had retired to Washington with

There was a hot campaign. But the

ild-time war governor was not reelect-

d. It almost broke his heart-he.

governor of Rhode Island in the civil

var, leader of her troops, United

States senator for two terms, defeated.

After a few silent and pathetic years

lown there by the sea, the household

of Sprague was again disrupted. Willie

Sprague had again come under the in-

fluence of his mother. He became a

reporter on a Washington paper, then

shifted to a similar position in New

York. A beautiful girl was born to his

wife-Inez Sprague-and the present

Mrs. Sprague became at once an aunt

Willie's wife procured a divorce from

him and married Gerrit S. Wheaton,

a welcome guest at Canonchet for

three years. Wheaton was a million-

aire; Willie Sprague was an erratic

genius, at times exceptionally bril-

liant, always impulsive, loving and af-

Canonchet was having its house par

des and the halls were aglow with oriental splendor. The Florentine fountain off the dining-room was trick-

Unfortunate Willie Sprague.

ier three daughters.

and a grandmother.

fectionate.

his mother. On November 6, 1883 | and made her debut with the Boston

Willie was arrested for shooting at Symphony orchestra. Among other

Thompson as he attempted to visit numbers she sang the suicide aris

Canonchet. The boy was largely given from the opera "Gloconda." Boston

critics caused Mrs. Sprague to quit

her proposed tour and return to

ever a Sprague ventured forth. That

There was, for instance, the case of

Orestes Alvord Weed, brother of Mrs

Inez Sprague and her sister Mrs. Gerrit

S. Wheaton, who, in 1903 eloped with

Miss Katherine D. de Roulhac, of New

York. Last year young Weed was

found dead at the Grand Union hotel

ing. His young widow and two hand-

founded after many affairs of the

heart in which young Weed was the

Five years ago Gerrit S. Wheaton

wife of Willie Sprague, and mother

of Inez Sprague the second. The lift-

ter was a beautiful girl. And she has

just blasted the great hopes of the

"little war governor" and his wife, by

cloping with Harry Williams Stiness,

son of Chief Justice John H. Stiness,

Sprague's implacable enemy in the

Rhode Island supreme court, between

whose family and the clan Sprague

Many had courted the girl. Finally

last year, when she was 21, she be-

came engaged to young Winpenny,

member of a prominent Pennsylvania

family. By this marriage, the

Wheaton fortune, coupled with Canon-

chet and its acres, might yet make the

score even between the Spragues and

One day last spring Miss Inez an-

nounced the breaking of her engage-

ment to Mr. Winpenny. On a day in

June she left Canonchet to go shop-

ping in Providence. There on June

21, at St. Stephen's church, she mar-

ried Harry Williams Stiness without

previous announcement. Rev. Her-

bert Barker performed the ceremony.

W. C. Rhoades and Wurst White were

witnesses. The spirited young lady

was not to be bothered with the forms

and frills of a conventional marriage.

It is merely a matter of theory that

the acquisition of a husband on her

shopping tour was the item of chief

concern to Miss Inez. There was a

And because of it Canonchet goes

under the hammer at once. The

Spragues are to quit Rhode Island and

Pay Women Small Wages.

collected annually at Smyrna and

shipped calefly to England and France.

get 23 to 30 cents a day working

They are sorted in Smyrna by women

About 80 tons of woolen rags are

new hat, for instance,

America forever.

a feud has existed since 1874.

Marriage Promised Much.

But fate was against it.

their enemies.

France. Defeat lay in ambush wher

year Mrs. Kate Chase

poverty in Washington.

debonair hero.

episode, which culminated in Conkling's ling its crystals to the idle after-din-

Sprague's death. He had shot him DO BUSINESS. self in a laborer's tent in the suburbs of Tacoma. The sign of blood was again upon the house of tragedy. A few days thereafter, when the poor Xmas Photos are leaders. We have boy's wasted body was being brought a special for Xmas only. Good time home, a final letter which he had ad- to buy a Kodak or Camera for a 600,000, would be destruction. The dressed to his father came to light. Xmas present. We teach you how Spragues had been ambushed. When It had been written in a tent assigned free. Do it now, don't make a misthe concerns failed in 1873, with more to young Sprague as one of a gang take, if you want the best photos you than \$30,000,000 in actual assets and of road laborers. In it he recited will have to have the Brunskills less than \$11,000,000 of indebtedness, some of his hardships. The boy com- make 'em. plained of the coarse quality of his breakfast that day. Here the letter the stage, but did nothing of consecutivatee of the estate. The courts abruptly terminated. His body was JOIN US IN A TRIP to Texas on the

Fate's Relentless Purcuit.

A few years after this, Ethel Sprague, one of the daughters of Kate Chase, adopted the stage. After a short time she quit the profession and, marrying, went to live in Balti more. Meantime, Canonchet had

In the autumn of 1897 Mrs. Inez Sprague, having studied grand opera soldiery, put him into the eye of the Robert Thompson had been appoint- with some of the best French and country as a subject altogether out of ed trustee for the personal estate of Italian masters, appeared in Boston

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